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Sir:

In response to the Office Action mailed 13 November 2000, please enter the following amendment.

In the claims

Please cancel claims 13-18.